IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE K.K.DENESAN

TUESDAY, THE 30TH JANUARY 2007 / 10TH MAGHA 1928

WP(C).No. 2069 of 2007(U)

PETITIONER:

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1. P.M.AVARACHAN, S/O.AVIRA MATHAI,
   AGED 40 YEARS, FIELD ASSISTANT, PLANTATION
   CORPORATION OF KERALA LTD., KALLALA ESTATE,
   P.O.KALADY PLANTATION.

2. D.HARIKUMAR,
   FIELD ASSISTANT, PLANTATION CORPORATION OF
   KERALA LTD., KODUMAN ESTATE, P.O. NEDUMANKAVU,
   (VIA) KOODAL, PATHANAMTHITTA.

3. T.Y.JAYAN, FIELD ASSISTANT,
   PLANTATION CORPORATION OF KERALA LTD.,
   KODUMAN ESTATE, P.O. NEDUMANKAVU, (VIA) KOODAL,
   PATHANAMTHITTA.

BY ADV. SRI.V.A.MUHAMMED
SRI.K.E.HAMZA

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE STATE OF KERALA REPRESENTED BY THE
   SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
   DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
   SECRETARIAT, TRIVANDRUM.

2. THE MANAGING DIRECTOR,
   PLANTATION CORPORATION OF KERALA LTD.,
   KOTTYAM- 686 004.

R1 BY GOVT. PLEADER SHRI. BIJOY CHANDRAN
R2 BY SC SHRI. JOSEPH MARKOSE

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 30/01/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

K.K.DENESAN, J.

WP(C)No. 2069 OF 2007

Dated this the 30th January, 2007.

JUDGMENT

Heard counsel for the petitioner, Govt. Pleader for the first respondent and standing counsel for the second respondent.

2. The petitioners belong to the category of Field Assistants in the Plantation Corporation of Kerala Ltd. of which the second respondent is the Managing Director. They feel aggrieved by the revision of pay scales recently made by the second respondent with the approval of the first respondent. It is seen that some other sections of the employees had already raised counter proposals against the pay revision orders seeking for further revision of the pay scales on the ground that certain anomalies have crept into the pay revision. This Court directed the Government to consider the representations filed by those employees and to take appropriate decision vide Judgment in W.P(C) 20800/2006 and connected cases. It is therefore submitted by counsel on either side that the first respondent-Government is the competent authority to look into the grievance of the petitioners herein also.

3. Ext.P11 representation filed by the petitioners along with another is pending with the first respondent.

Hence the first respondent is directed to consider Ext.P11 after calling for the remarks of the second respondent. Appropriate decision shall be taken within three months from the date of receipt of a copy of the judgment. The petitioner shall make available before the Government a copy of the judgment and a copy of the writ petition for necessary action. Writ petition is disposed of accordingly.

K.K.DENESAN
Judge

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